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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Science and Technology)

SUBJECT : Daily Activity Report - 18 October 1963

1. MISSION STATUS

a. **IDEALIST** - The detachments [Redacted] and Edwards Air Force Base California are on standby status.

The detachment [Redacted] was alerted for Mission #3233 covering Laos on 17 October 1963. This mission was, however, cancelled due to weather deterioration in the target area.

b. **BRASS KNOB** - One SAC U-2 mission was flown yesterday over Cuba. Mission #3753 was flown with an estimated 60% target coverage with no reactions. Mission #3754 was cancelled due to mechanical difficulties.

2. OXCART Status, 17 October 1963:

a. Poor weather precluded all flight activity with the exception of an operational pilot instrument check flight in Aircraft #124 for a duration of 1:30 hours.

b. Aircrafts #121, 122, 125 and #126 are in standby status for flights as soon as weather permits.

c. Aircrafts #124, 127, 128, 129 are undergoing routine maintenance. Aircraft #130 is in process of assembly.

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